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Reports on the meetings of the Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants held in Vienna from 11 to 13 September 2017 and on 4 and 5 July 2018

Note by the Secretariat

1. Pursuant to resolution 5/3 of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, an open-ended intergovernmental interim working group on the smuggling of migrants was established to advise and assist the Conference in the implementation of its mandate with regard to the Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

2. In its resolution 7/1 on strengthening the implementation of the Organized Crime Convention and the Protocols thereto, the Conference decided, inter alia, that the Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants would be a constant element of the Conference, forwarding its reports and recommendations to the Conference.

3. The Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants held its fourth meeting from 11 to 13 September 2017 and its fifth meeting on 4 and 5 July 2018. In accordance with resolution 7/1, the reports on those meetings (CTOC/COP/WG.7/2017/5 and CTOC/COP/WG.7/2018/3) will be made available to the Conference at its ninth session.

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